

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A communications device such as a mobile phone has a main body communications circuit and a movable housing element such as a touch sensitive slide or a flip-type hinged structure. In one embodiment, the main body communications circuit responds to a touch sensitive slide signal, for providing a communications signal to a communications system. The communications device includes a main body or housing for containing the main body communications circuit of the communications device, as well as a speaker and display. The touch sensitive slide responds to a contact force by a user, for providing the touch sensitive slide signal containing information about a position of the contact force applied by the user on the touch sensitive slide. The touch sensitive slide is slidably or hingeably mounted on the main body, and may contain slide position sensing. In this embodiment, the touch sensitive signal contains information about the position of the touch sensitive slide in relation to the housing. The touch sensitive slide is adaptable for use as a mouse or a drawing table together with the display of the communications device, which enables for windows-based word and data processing and graphical applications, as well as internet applications.